## Colorado Legislative Council Staff FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

**Date:** September 4, 2014 **Fiscal Analyst:** Kristen Koehler, 303-866-4918

TITLE: SCHOOL BOARD MEETING REQUIREMENTS

**Ballot Question:** Shall there be a change to the Colorado Revised Statutes requiring any meeting of a board of education, or any meeting between any representative of a school district and any representative of employees, at which a collective bargaining agreement is discussed to be open to the public?

Fiscal Impact Summary*	Fiscal Year 2014-15	Fiscal Year 2015-16
State Revenue	\$0	\$0
State Spending	\$0	\$0

<sup>\*</sup> This summary shows changes in state government revenue and spending that are directly caused by the measure. The amount shown represents the change from current law. State fiscal years run from July 1 to June 30.

## **Summary of Measure**

Proposition 104 requires that local school boards discuss collective bargaining agreements with unions in meetings that are open to the public. This measure does not impact any other public body.

**Background.** Under current law, any meeting at which a state or local governmental body discusses public business or takes formal action must be open to the public, with certain exceptions. For instance, a school board may designate an employee or representative to negotiate a collective bargaining agreement and there is no requirement that these negotiations be held publically. Current law requires however, that final collective bargaining agreements be voted on by the school board in public and be made available on the Internet.

## **Fiscal Impact**

Proposition 104 may increase the number of school board meetings that are open to the public and require some effort in fulfilling the legal requirements for an open meeting, but these impacts will not have a significant fiscal impact.

The measure only applies to school districts and will not impact other local governments or the state.